GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:584
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24 HOUR EDUCATION CHANNEL
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Union Government propose to launch a 24 hour education channel to help to achieve the target of full literacy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this channel is likely to be launched?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) to (c) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENTREFEREDTO PARTS (a) TO (c)OF THELOKSABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 584 TO BE ANSWERED (7.5.2002 BY SHRI RAMPAL SINGH & SHRI PADAM SEN CHOUDHRY REGARDING 24 HOUR EDUCATION CHANNEL.

(a) to (c): A nexclusive 24 hours educational Satellite based TV channel, Gyan Darshan hasalready been launched and made operational with effect from 26.1.2001 with one of its aims to achieve the targets of full literacy. The Channel is available 24 hours through cable operators throughout India. In Gyan Darshan theprogrammes are contributed by major educational institutions such as Indira Gandhi National Open University, University Grants Commission, National Council of Educational Research and Training, Indian Institutes of Technology, National Open School, National Literacy Mission and somegovernment and semi-government organisations. The channel offers interesting and interactive programmes of relevance and value. The programmes are not only curriculum based but also enrichment programmes for the benefit of the viewers who are also supported by an interactive teleconferencing facility.